

Small Business Regulatory Fairness Board

Small Business Impact Statement

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Please describe the methods your agency considered or used to reduce the impact on small businesses

Fee calculations were done using a five-year projected income and expenses of the board. A scenario representing a one-time reduced renewal fee of \$5 was reviewed along with a permanent reduction in renewal fees and the board voted to pursue such. The review also included reducing application fees.

This amendment also clarifies late renewal fees and removes language concerning law books to more accurately reflect current office operations.

Please explain how your agency has involved small businesses in the development of the proposed rule.

This topic was discussed in the open session of the board's meeting on March 29-30, 2016 and September 14-15, 2016. Members of the public that were present were in support of the reductions and no opposition was expressed.

Please list the probable monetary costs and benefits to your agency and any other agencies affected. Please include the estimated total amount your agency expects to collect from additionally imposed fees and how the moneys will be used.

No additional funds are anticipated to be collected by these fee adjustments.

Please describe small businesses that will be required to comply with the proposed rule and how they may be adversely affected.

This amendment will not adversely affect any small businesses or licensees. In fact, it will benefit licensees from the reduced costs of doing business.

Please list direct and indirect costs (in dollars amounts) associated with compliance.

The amended language requests various adjustments in the current application and renewal fees. A fiscal note has been filed in accordance with sections 536.200 and 536.205, RSMo.

Please list types of business that will be directly affected by, bear the cost of, or directly benefit from the proposed rule.

The below listed licensees and applicants will benefit from the reduced fees.

Preneed Sellers

Preneed Agents

Funeral Establishments

Funeral Directors

Embalmers

Does the proposed rule include provisions that are more stringent than those mandated by comparable or related federal, state, or county standards?

Yes___ No x___ Not applicable

If yes, please explain the reason for imposing a more stringent standard.

For further guidance in the completion of this statement, please see §536.300, RSMo.